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SUBJECT: MTN: NON TARIFF MEASURES GROUP

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF GATT/AIR/1144 ISSUED 20 FEBRUARY
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SUBJECT: GROUP "NON-TARIFF MEASURES"

1. AS AGREED BY THE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE
ON 13 FEBRUARY 1975, AN INITIAL MEETING OF THE GROUP
"NON-TARIFF MEASURES" WILL BE CONVENED AT 3 P.M. ON
4 MARCH 1975. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE PALAIS
DES NATIONS.

2. THE TASKS OF THE GROUP IS TO INITIATE NEGOTIATIONS
ON NON-TARIFF MEASURES ON AS WIDE A BAISSE AS POSSIBLE,
EITHER IN THE GROUP ITSELF OR IN SUB-GROUPS (MTN/W/10,
PARAGRAPH 3).

3. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT, INTER ALIA THE GROUP
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CONSIDER ITS TASKS AT THIS MEETING TO INCLUDE:

- A. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE GROUP;
- B). SELECTION OF NON-TARIFF MEASURES ON WHICH NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE COMMENCED INITIALLY;
- C. POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUB-GROUPS AND ELECTION OF CHAIRMEN FOR ANY SUB-GROUPS;
- D) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROCEDURES FOR INCLUSION IN THE NEGOTIATIONS NON-TARIFF MEASURES NOT CONTAINED IN THE INITIAL LIST;
- E. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROCEDURES FOR NEGOTIATIONS ON NON-TARIFF MEASURES NOT DEALT WITH MULTILATERALLY;
- F. ESTABLISHMENT OF A CALENDAR OF MEETINGS.

4. IT IS FURTHER SUGGESTED THAT IN THE DISCUSSION OF ITEM 3(B) ABOVE DELEGATIONS MIGHT DEFINE WITH SOME PRECISION THEIR INITIAL POSITIONS--THAT IS, POINT OF DEPARTURE--ON PARTICULAR NON-TARIFF MEASURES TO THE END THAT THE ISSUES ON WHICH THE NEGOTIATIONS MAY THEREAFTER PROCEED WILL BE MORE CLEARLY IDENTIFIED.

5. THE MEETING IS OPEN TO THOSE COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE INDICATED THEIR DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS AND HAVE THUS ASSUMED MEMBERSHIP OF THE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE. SUCH MEMBERS ARE ACCORDINGLY INVITED TO INFORM ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES WHO WILL ATTEND THE MEETING OF THE GROUP.

6. REPRESENTATIVES NOT HAVING YET REGISTERED FOR THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE CONFERENCE OFFICER, VILLA LE BOUQUET, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, TO OBTAIN THE NECESSARY ENTRANCE CARDS. UNQUOTE. DALE

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